CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	788016591.jpg
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1300966.005
Medium:	Computer Image File Printout
Publisher:	Not stated
Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Commissioner of Police
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	12 November 2013
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	12 November 2013

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file printout is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The image is a close-up display of a young boy's buttocks and sexual parts, with a man's hand on the boy's buttocks. The purpose of the image is to titillate or arouse adults with a sexual interest in children. The image encourages this sexual interest and perpetuates the idea that young boys are available for adult sexual use.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.